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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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1. As a result of efforts on the part of Colonel Linen, USAF, it has been determined that there exists within the Air Force inventory certain power generating equipment which would be more satisfactorily employed at [redacted] in lieu of the current Navy units.

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2. The units referred to are 1200KW Generator Sets which were originally procured by the Air Force in contemplation of use by [redacted]. These units are now excess to USAF requirements and thus, it has been determined, would provide the Project with the proper power source as currently envisioned and would lend themselves to any future expansion which may develop. Utilization of these units would make it possible for us to return to the Navy War Reserve, those 600KW Generators currently in place and utilized by the Project.

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3. It must be pointed out that the [redacted] units which the Project will accrue require the utmost in technical competence with regard to their installation as well as the distribution networks required to provide power at the required location.

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4. Discussions between Colonel Linen and the writer indicate the necessity for clearance of an individual in the Air Force Installations activity, thoroughly conversant with these power plants, and his assignment on a TW basis to [redacted] to assist [redacted] in the proper installation of these units.

5. It should be pointed out that these units, individually, are comparable in size to that of a locomotive and the attendant engineering requirements with respect to their installation, require the highest order of technical competence in the power generation field.

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6. These units are to be moved from Minot, North Dakota to [REDACTED] as rapidly as weather permits. The method of transportation will be determined by USAF. The initial units involved represent a capacity of 3750KW. Every effort is being made to crystallize the power requirements at [REDACTED] and it is recommended that IAC, who is apparently spear-heading this operation, employ a qualified electrical engineer to determine the various characteristics of the electrical requirements, i.e., connected load, sustained load, peak load.

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C/ 1 - DE/P  
C/ 2 - AC/DEP  
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